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## FOLKLIFE CENTER, PARK SERVICE JOIN IN BLUE RIDGE PROJECT

The American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress and the National Park Service of the U.S. Department of the Interior this summer will conduct a major documentary study of folkways in the Blue Ridge Parkway area near the North Carolina-Virginia state line. The cooperative effort, called the Blue Ridge Folklife Project, is designed to provide a comprehensive view of the cultural life of the area's residents.

A team of professional folklorists will conduct the fieldwork in August and September. The survey will take place in and around the Mabry Mill-Rocky Knob area of Virginia and the Doughton Park-Little Glade Millpond area of North Carolina. Unlike previous studies which have focused on the area's musical traditions, the project will document the broad range of folk traditions, including architecture, foodways, and storytelling.

The material gathered during the project will be housed in the Library of Congress where it will be available for use by researchers and the general public. It may also be used to produce publications, phonograph recordings, and other informational products.

The project will expand the Park Service's Blue Ridge Parkway research base and will provide information for the further development of interpretive materials and presentations for visitors. The joint effort between the Folklife Center and the Park Service will serve as a model to demonstrate ways in which folklore and folklife can be incorporated in national park interpretive programs throughout the nation.

## EXHIBIT BOOTH, INFORMATION SUITE HIGHLIGHT LC ACTIVITIES AT ALA

The Library of Congress is planning a wide variety of activities in connection with the 97th Annual Conference of the American Library Association. The conference will be held in Chicago, Ill., on June 24-30.

All those attending the conference are invited to drop by the Library's exhibit at booths 208-10-12 in the Palmer House, where representatives of the Library will provide general information and samples of recent publications. Staff from the Copyright Office and the Cataloging Distribution Service will be on hand to answer questions and distribute literature. A slide/sound show on the Library will be presented and a sample of the on-line computer systems used by the Library will be demonstrated.

As in the past, the Library also will have a suite where conference participants can meet informally with Library of Congress staff to discuss topics in depth. Topics to be covered include: Acquisitions, Cataloging, Cataloging in Publication, CONSER, Freezing the Catalog, Impact of Networks on

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A schedule of topics and the location of the suite may be obtained at the exhibit booth.

The Library's newly named National Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped will have an exhibit on music-related materials in booth 501 in the Palmer House.

In addition to the above activities, the following Library of Congress-related meetings may be of special interest to conference participants.

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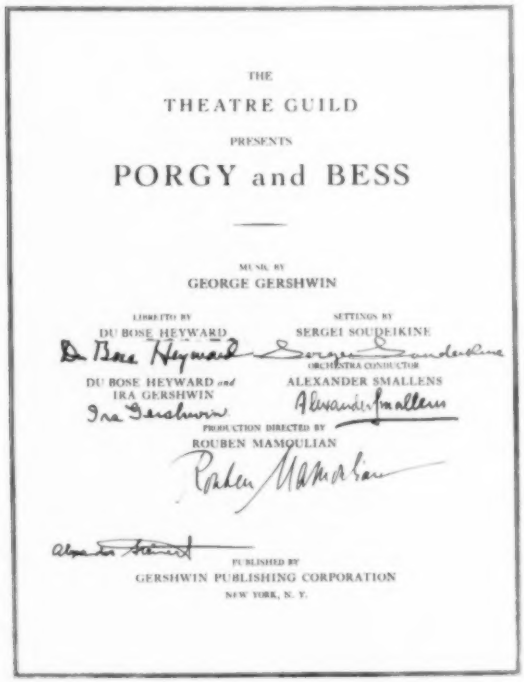
| Opening Hearing on RTSD Filing Rules | Saturday, June 24<br>8 a.m.-9:30 a.m.<br>Monroe Room<br>Palmer House |
| Standards for Network Libraries Serving the Blind and Physically Handicapped | Saturday, June 24<br>10 a.m.-12 noon<br>Private Dining Room 18<br>Palmer House |
| New Directions for the NUC | Saturday, June 24<br>2 p.m.-4 p.m.<br>Red Lacquer Room<br>Palmer House |
| Fair Use, Photocopying, and Management of Collections | Sunday, June 25<br>9a.m.-12 noon<br>International Ballroom<br>Conrad Hilton |
| National Networking Concerns and the Network Advisory Committee | Sunday, June 25<br>10 a.m.-12 noon<br>Red Lacquer Room<br>Palmer House |
| Networking: the Delivery of Services to Populations with Specialized Needs | Sunday, June 25<br>2 p.m.-4:30 p.m.<br>State Ballroom<br>Palmer House |
| Whither MARC and Mann? | Monday, June 26<br>8 a.m.-12 noon<br>Great Hall<br>Pick Congress Hotel |
| Reception for Chicago and Chicago area authors cosponsored by The Center for the Book and ALA | Monday, June 26<br>5 p.m. to 7 p.m.<br>Chicago Public Library Cultural Center<br>Michigan and Randolph St. |
| Library Building and Equipment Problems | Tuesday, June 27<br>10 a.m.-12 noon<br>Williford Parlour C<br>Conrad Hilton |
| National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging/Special Foreign Acquisitions Programs | Tuesday, June 27<br>8:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m.<br>Eisenhower Room<br>Blackstone Hotel |

## LASKY GIFT PRESENTED TO LC
### Gershwin Score Included

The Music Division of the Library of Congress recently received from Betty Lasky a group of valuable items from operatic history of the last 100 years. Miss Lasky gave them in memory of her father, Jesse L. Lasky, pioneer producer responsible for a series of major films from *The Squaw Man* (1913) to *The Great Caruso* (1951) and including such landmarks of

the American film as *Sergeant York* (1941) and *The Adventures of Mark Twain* (1943). It was Lasky who, in partnership with Cecil B. DeMille and Samuel Goldwyn (then "Samuel Goldfish"), chose Hollywood as the location for the filming of *The Squaw Man* and thus selected what was to be the film capital of the world. As head or joint head of a series of motion picture producing companies including the Lasky Feature Play Company, Famous Players-Lasky,



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THEATRE GUILD
PRESENTS
PORGY and BESS

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GEORGE GERSHWIN

LIBRETTO BY
DU BOSE HEYWARD
SETTINGS BY
SERGEI SOUDEIKINE
ORCHESTRA CONDUCTOR
DU BOSE HEYWARD and IRA GERSHWIN
ALEXANDER SMALLENS
PRODUCTION DIRECTED BY
ROUBEN MAMOULIAN

PUBLISHED BY
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NEW YORK, N. Y.

and J. L. Lasky Productions, he was one of the prime shaping forces in the history of the American film.

The largest item in the Lasky gift is a copy of the published vocal score of George Gershwin's *Porgy and Bess.* Beneath George Gershwin's photograph on the page facing the title page is the autograph of George Gershwin and the first four bars of "Summertime" in Gershwin's hand. The title page itself (illustrated above) has been autographed by the show's other creators: Du Bose Heyward, Ira Gershwin, set designer Sergei Soudeikine, conductor Alexander Smallens, director Rouben Mamoulian, and musical coach Alexander Steinert. Heyward's signature is on a separate piece of paper pasted into the score. All other signatures have been made directly on the published score itself.

The score was a gift to Lasky from Rouben Mamoulian on the occasion of Lasky's production *Rhapsody in Blue,* a film biography of George Gershwin starring Robert Alda. Mamoulian inscribed the score to Lasky as follows:

> Dear Jesse:
> I never thought I would give this book away to anyone, but I find it a great pleasure to give it to you on this your birthday, as a token of my deep affection. I also feel, that George would wish you to have it, especially now, when you are bringing his life to the screen!
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> As ever, your friend,
> Rouben.

The score complements the Music Division's already rich collection of Gershwin material, including the manuscript score and sketches of *Porgy and Bess* and material concerning Jesse Lasky's film biography of Gershwin.

The Lasky collection also includes two autographed photographs of the great mezzo-soprano Ernestine Schumann-Heink, one as she appeared in her retirement years in California and one in the role of Azucena in Verdi's *Il Trovatore*—"long, long ago," as Mme. Schumann-Heink notes in her autograph.

## BOOKBINDING EXHIBIT MOUNTED
### LC Entry on View

After three years of planning, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art opened an exhibition of modern bookbindings in March. The exhibition, entitled "Hand Bookbinding Today: An International Art," began with a preview and reception which brought together, for the first time, fine binders from 17 countries. The 123 bindings included in the exhibit are examples of contemporary design and construction and ranged from the avant-garde to the traditional. A requirement of entry in this show was that all bindings had to have been produced within the past five years.

The Library of Congress entry was a white pigskin binding of the Kelmscott Press *Works of Geoffrey Chaucer* printed in 1896. The binding was designed and constructed by Donald G. Etherington, assistant restoration officer, Library of Congress.

Mr. Etherington, a native of England, carried the craft philosophy of his fellow countryman and

founder of the Kelmscott Press, William Morris, through to its conclusion in the binding. The Kelmscott *Chaucer* is considered to be the high-water mark of Morris' attempt to upgrade the quality of English bookmaking. The Etherington binding carries to the covers of the volume the intricate detail found in the Morris borders. Upon the dismantling of the exhibition, the Kelmscott *Chaucer* will be returned to the Library of Congress Rare Book and Special Collections Division, where it will be available for examination by scholars of fine printing and binding. The exhibition, which closed in San Francisco on May 7, moves next to the William Rockhill Nelson Gallery and Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City, Mo., where it will open on June 11 and remain on view through July 22.

The exhibition catalog, which was produced in a 2,500-copy edition, is available for $10 and may be ordered from the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art. The catalog is richly illustrated in black and white and in color. The Etherington binding is illustrated in color on p. 30.

## NEWS BRIEFLY NOTED

### GENEALOGY INSTITUTE VISITS LC

Approximately 40 advanced researchers in local history and genealogy spent most of the day at the Library of Congress on May 15 as part of the annual three-week National Institute on Genealogical Research conducted by the National Archives. Library staff from several divisions spoke to the group in the Coolidge Auditorium and the Wilson Room on conducting research in their reading rooms on local history and genealogy: Paul Heffron, assistant chief, and Sylvia Render, specialist in Afro-American history and culture, Manuscript Division, discussed manuscript resources; Bernard A. Bernier, Jr., assistant chief, Serial Division, discussed newspaper sources; Richard W. Stephenson, head, Reference and Bibliography Section, discussed research in the Geography and Map Division; and Samuel Andrusko, reference librarian, General Reference and Bibliography Division, discussed the Local History and Genealogy Room and related resources. Rick Ashton, formerly of the Newberry Library and now with Fort Wayne Public Library, and Marian Starrett of the Daughters of the American Revolution also addressed the gathering. James Walker of the National Archives, director of the institute, was in charge of the group. Mr. Andrusko attended the institute.

### ACQUISITIONS TRIP REPORTED

Zuhair E. Jwaideh, chief of the Near Eastern and African Law Division, left Washington, D.C., on January 29 to travel to Egypt, Kuwait, Bahrain, Abu Dhabi, Qatar, Oman, Iran, Afghanistan, Turkey, and the United Kingdom on a publications survey and acquisitions trip. During the trip, Mr. Jwaideh met with prime ministers, ministers of justice, education, and information, university presidents, national librarians, and outstanding scholars in these countries. In addition, television and radio stations and newspapers interviewed him about the services, collections, and responsibilities of the Library of Congress.

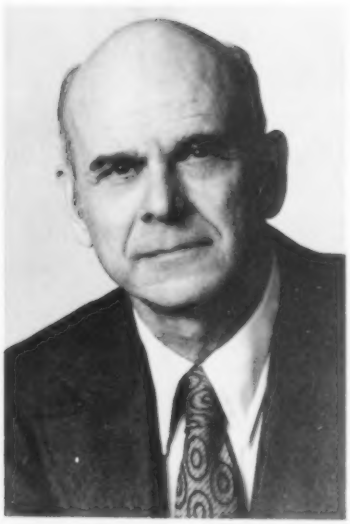
In countries lacking blanket order dealers, Mr. Jwaideh negotiated tentative agreements. He also negotiated tentative gift and exchange programs with individual institutions and government agencies. As part of the survey of legal systems in countries of the Near East, he visited the courts of several countries and met with the chief justices of the supreme courts and the justices and some judges from the lower courts.

Returning from the Middle East through London, Mr. Jwaideh had an opportunity to survey the legal and Middle East collections in the Bodleian Library, the Bodleian Law Library and the Rhodes House Library of Oxford University, the library of the School of Oriental and African Studies of London University, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Library, and the British Library in the Old British Museum. He returned to Washington, D.C., on April 14.

## FORMER STAFF MEMBER HONORED

**Edward J. Blume**, who retired last December as chief of the Library of Congress Subject Cataloging Division, was one of 10 finalists in the Federal Retiree of the Year Awards competition conducted by the National Association of Retired Federal Employees. Irene K. Fischer, internationally recognized geodesist who retired from the Defense Mapping Agency in 1977, was selected as the first Federal Retiree of the Year. The presentation of awards to the 10 finalists took place May 31 in the Presidential Room of the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C. William J. Welsh, Deputy Librarian of Congress, and Joseph H. Howard, Assistant Librarian for Processing Services, were present for the ceremony.

Mr. Blume was nominated for the award for his many contributions to increased efficiency in the Library and advancement of library science, including



achievements in the translation of scientific materials from foreign languages, bibliographies which became the primary source of information related to scientific progress in the Soviet Union, and compilation of the first Russian-English dictionary of recurring unusual terms. He was recognized for being alert to needs for change in and updating the Library's classification schedule and techniques, for his leadership in policy formulation on subject headings and classification practices, and for having given imaginative, sensitive, and effective staff leadership.

Mr. Blume came to the Library in 1952 in the Cyrillic Bibliographic Project and joined the staff of the Subject Cataloging Division in 1961. He became assistant chief in 1970 and chief of the division in 1972. His previous Government service was with the U.S. Army in Europe from 1941 to 1945. He lives in Oxon Hill, Md. (An account of Mr. Blume's career appeared in the LC *Information Bulletin* for January 6, pp. 5-6.)

## STAFF NEWS

### DEATH OF A FORMER STAFF MEMBER

**Loran P. Karsner,** retired chief of the Library's Card Division (since renamed the Cataloging Distribution Service), died on Wednesday, May 31. He retired from the Library of Congress in June 1972 after more than 40 years of Federal service.

Born in 1912 in Thorn Hill, Ky., Mr. Karsner was educated in Kentucky, graduating from Franklin County High School. He began his Government service in February 1932 on the staff of the Architect of the Capitol, and joined the office of the Building Superintendent in the Library in June of that year. From April 1933, when he joined the former Card Division as card drawer, he served in progressively responsible positions, culminating in an appointment to chief of the division in February 1968. In addition, Mr. Karsner served under all five men who had preceded him as chief of the division since 1901.

Following his initial appointment to the Card Division, Mr. Karsner served from April 1942 to April 1947, except for military service in 1944, as first assistant in the division's Reprint Unit. In November 1947, he became assistant estimator and the following February was advanced to supervisor of the Estimating Unit. He was also promoted to head of the Inventory Section in 1948, and in July 1961, he became head of the Orders Section—then the third-ranking post in the division. He was promoted to the position of assistant chief for production in January 1963.

*In 1968, former Librarian of Congress L. Quincy Mumford (left) pushed the button launching Phase I of the former Card Division's automation program as Mr. Karsner (on the right), then chief of the division, explained the process. Also present for the occasion was James L. Stevens (center), then assistant chief for operations.*

Over the years, Mr. Karsner made many

contributions toward improving the methods and technical operations of the card distribution service. In 1953, he received a Superior Accomplishment Award for planning and carrying through a project for the stock control of printed catalog cards. At the same time he was commended for the development of a new method of overprinting call numbers and subject headings. In 1965 he received the Meritorious Service Award for his thorough planning and direction while moving the card stock to the Navy Yard Annex, and in 1958 and 1960, he received Outstanding Performance Ratings for further administrative and technical improvements. His career was marked by improvements in the methods used to provide services to the international library and library-oriented community.

Mr. Karsner is survived by his wife, Dorothy, of the home in McLean, Va., and by a daughter, Karen Reid, and a son, Philip. Funeral services were held on Friday afternoon, June 2, with interment following in Columbia Garden Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

## PERSONNEL CHANGES

**Mary Ellis Kahler** has been appointed field director of the Library of Congress Office in Rio de Janeiro, effective September 11. Mrs. Kahler joined the staff of the Library in 1949 under the Library's program for outstanding library school graduates. She has served the Library in various positions of responsibility, including chief of the Serial Record Division (1957-1966), assistant chief of the Union Catalog Division (1966-1970), assistant director of the Hispanic Foundation (now the Latin America, Portuguese, and Spanish Division) (1971-73), and as chief of that division (1973 to the present). She replaces Janet M. Biggs, who has been acting field director since 1976.

Mrs. Kahler was born in Santiago, Chile, and lived her early school years in Rio de Janeiro. She received a bachelor's degree from Swarthmore College (1940), a B.L.S. degree from Drexel University (1949), a master's degree in Latin American and U.S. history from George Washington University (1953), and a doctorate from the American University (1968). Her dissertation was entitled *Relations between Brazil and the United States, 1815-1825, with Special Reference to the Revolutions of 1817 and 1824.*

Mrs. Kahler has been an active member of numerous professional societies, including the Latin American Studies Association, the Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library materials (SALALM), Society for the History of Discoveries, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, Society of American Archivists, American Library Association, Special Libraries Association, and the Brazilian American Cultural Institute. She has contributed to numerous professional journals and edited *The Harkness Collection in the Library of Congress: Manuscripts Concerning Mexico; A Guide,* published by the Library in 1974. She was the Library's delegate to the Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries, 1974-77. In 1974 Mrs. Kahler was invited by the Ford Foundation to visit Brazil to survey libraries and related institutions to recommend measures to strengthen resources for research in the social sciences.

**Appointments:** LaVonne Boddicker, preassigned card number assistant, GS-5, CIP, 5576; Willard H. Fisher, Jr., clerk-typist, GS-3, Cat Publ, OP 8-500; Robert McRae, microphotographer trainee, GT-3, Photodup, OP 5-100; Thomas Ragusa, microphotographer trainee, GT-3, Photodup, OP 5-100; Norman F. Sohl, Jr., microphotographer trainee, GT-3, Photodup, OP 5-100; Helen Soroka, payroll clerk, GS-4, FMO, 5544; Mary Wallace, preassigned card number assistant, GS-5, CIP, 5576; Alton Wright, assistant secretary, GS-5, Share Cat, 5488.

**Reappointment:** Patricia VanRyn, clerical assistant, GS-4, Subj Cat, 5549.

**Temporary Reappointments:** Thomas Brooking, production assistant-arranger, GT-3, Cat Publ, OP 6-500; Joel S. Daniels, III, library aid, GS-3, Share Cat, NP; Traci Kuntzelman, information counter attendant, GS-3, Inf, NP; Jill Olsen, editorial assistant, GS-5, CRS MCR, 5686.

**Resignations:** Linda Archie, Cop Cat; Phillip Bauman, CRS A; Jody DelVecchio, Ord; Spence Galloway, NUCPP; Margaret Gatti, Inf; Dianne Godfrey, FRD; Nancy Judge, S&R, Frederick Tathwell, CRS A.

## STAFF ACTIVITIES

**Henriette D. Avram,** director of the Network Development Office, was a speaker at the 1978 NASA Library Conference held at NASA Headquarters in Washington, D.C., on May 17-19. The meeting, chaired by Madeleine Losee, program coordinator, NASA Libraries, included sessions on the impact of copyright on libraries and a future view of library/information activities, and workshops on NALNET and RECON.

Three Library staff members presented papers at the third Annual Conference of the American Hungarian Educators' Association at Rutgers University on April 27-30. **Enikö Molnár Basa,** MARC Editorial Division, spoke on "The Significance of Shared

Cataloging and MARC in the Library of Congress for Hungarian Scholarship." **Elemer Bako**, Slavic and Central European Division, talked about the "Finno-Ugrian Holdings in American Libraries and Their Importance for Research and Teaching in the Hungarian Field." **Judith Oroszlan**, National Union Catalog Publication Project, discussed "The National Union Catalogue and its Role for Reference and Research in the Hungarian Field." The session was followed by questions which showed keen interest in the collections of the Library as well as in the new programs being developed for the benefit of scholars.

The Conference brought together scholars and teachers involved in Hungarian studies at various levels as well as scientists and mathematicians interested in Hungarian culture. Speaking of the need for cooperation among scientists and humanists at the concluding banquet, Nobel Laureate Eugene P. Wigner appropriately summarized the work of the conference which, besides the traditional sessions on literature, history, and Hungarian contributions to science, included a program on ethnic heritage and the maintenance of ethnic identity through Saturday schools and the performing arts. The work and goals of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress encouraged the foundation of the American Hungarian Folklife Centrum as a subsidiary of the association which hopes to sponsor programs in the spirit of the American Folklife Center.

**Elisabeth Betz**, picture cataloging specialist, Prints and Photographs Division, spoke on May 19 at an archival techniques workshop held by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. She discussed the problems of handling and organizing non-textual records, as well as their access.

**Constance Carter**, head of the Reference Section, Science and Technology Division, spoke at the Third Washington Information Seminar held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on May 19. Sponsored by Washington Researchers, the workshop offered a forum for both suppliers and users of information. Miss Carter described briefly the major collections and resources available to the researcher at the Library of Congress and outlined, in some detail, the reference and referral services available from the Library's Science and Technology Division. Other speakers included Elisa Myers, director of Information Central, American Society of Association Executives; Paul Zeisset, Data Users Services Division, Bureau of the Census; Henry Lowenstern, associate commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Ago Ambre, Bureau of Economic Analysis; Benjamin Blankenship, Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture; and Mike Causey of the *Washington Post*.

On May 6, **Michael P. Fitzgerald**, supervisor of the SCORPIO Development Team in the Information Systems Office; **James R. Price**, coordinator of Automated Information Services, Congressional Research Service; and **Frederick J. Rosenthal**, assistant chief, Library Services Division, participated in the annual meeting of the American Society of Indexers, held in Washington, D.C. Their presentation included a description of the development and maintenance of the Legislative Indexing Vocabulary (LIV) and a demonstration of accessing legislative data bases via SCORPIO, utilizing computer terminals and other special equipment connected to the Library's central computer facilities.

**Virginia Haviland**, head of the Children's Literature Center, spoke May 16 on "Bringing Folklore to Children" in the Boston Public Library's fourth annual symposium, "Children's Books International." She is editor of *The Fairy Tale Treasury* (Coward, McCann & Geoghegan), *Favorite Fairy Tales Told in France* (Little, Brown), and other volumes.

**Joseph C. Hickerson**, head of the Archive of Folk Song, gave an illustrated lecture at the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music on folksong and folklore collecting in the United States on May 9.

**Alan Jabbour**, director of the American Folklife Center, participated in a symposium on regional research in the humanities at West Virginia University in Morgantown on May 10-12. The symposium brought together scholars from a variety of fields, including sociology, geography, American studies, anthropology, political science, history, and folklore. Mr. Jabbour commented on presentations dealing with culture and regional development.

**William Matheson**, chief of the Rare Book and Special Collections Division, and his wife, Nina, are joint recipients of the 1978 University of Washington School of Librarianship Distinguished Alumnus Award. Mrs. Matheson is director of the Paul Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library of George Washington University.

**Carol A. Nemeyer**, Associate Librarian for National Programs, has recently given several talks about Library of Congress programs. On February 12, she shared, as a relative newcomer to Capitol Hill, her perceptions about and enthusiasm for the Library with colleagues at the annual banquet of the New York Library Club and, representing The Librarian, addressed a large group at luncheon during the annual meeting of the Hawaii Library Association held in

Honolulu on March 23-26. From May 14 to 17, she again represented The Librarian at the annual meeting of the Association of American Publishers where she found growing interest in the Library's Center for the Book, especially as it might relate to the recently approved AAP Education for Publishing Office. In addition, Mrs. Nemeyer has been appointed incoming chair of the Publishing Committee of the American Library Association and will assume this duty for 1978-79 at the ALA Annual Conference this month. An article entitled "Book Publishing and the School Library Market," coauthored by Mrs. Nemeyer and Sandra K. Paul of Random House, has been published in the Spring issue of *School Media Quarterly,* the journal of the American Association of School Librarians.

**Dominic F. O'Donnell**, assistant technical officer, and **Lloyd Rasmussen**, electronics technician, represented the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped at the Martin Luther King Memorial Library fifth anniversary open house and exhibit on April 14, where they displayed equipment and answered questions about DBPH services. Improvements and new devices planned for the future, such as the combination machine and possible adaptation of pitch restoration devices, were also discussed. The open house was well attended by representatives of various Government agencies, as well as users of the library. A representative of Mayor Walter Washington expressed his appreciation for the services provided by the Martin Luther King Library to handicapped persons in the city of Washington.

**John R. Schroeder**, head, Cataloging Unit, and **Elizabeth U. Mangan**, head, Data Preparation and Files Maintenance Unit, Technical Services Section, Geography and Map Division, were the principal speakers and resource persons at a workshop sponsored by the Indiana Cooperative Library Services Authority held May 3-4 in Indianapolis. The workshop, attended by approximately 47 persons, was primarily organized to familiarize selected staff of InCOLSA network participants with map cataloging and classification and MARC map format coding. The participants were general catalogers from academic and public libraries, map librarians, library administrators, graduate students, and representatives from other networks.

**Kersi B. Shroff**, legal specialist, American-British Law Division, participated in a discussion on Atlantic Dateline, a current affairs program on WETA-FM. The program dealt with the differences in the judicial systems of several countries, including the United States and Great Britain, and the problems they generally face. The program was broadcast on May 16.

**Janet Terner**, a reference librarian in the Science and Technology Division, is the author of an article, "Discipline for a Democratic Society," which appears on p. 41-44 of the Summer 1978 issue of *American Educator,* the professional journal of the American Federation of Teachers. The article reviews the work of the late Dr. Rudolf Dreikurs on child discipline.

**Chi Wang**, head of the Chinese and Korean Section, Orientalia Division, delivered a lecture on May 12 at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, on the topic of "Research, Resources, and Publishing in the People's Republic of China." Mr. Wang discussed the social science research programs in China, the recently established Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, major Chinese resources, and the trends in publishing in China. The lecture was sponsored by the University's East Asian Studies Program, East Asian Library, Library School, Office of International Programs, and the Department of Concerts and Lectures.

ANNOUNCEMENT

**Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Schaaf** are the parents of a daughter Kristen Amy, born May 9 at the Holy Cross Hospital, Silver Spring, Md. Mrs. Schaaf works at the Riverdale Baptist School as a supervisor-teacher of the Math Department and Mr. Schaaf is a senior preliminary cataloger in the Descriptive Cataloging Division.

## LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

*Accessions List: India.* ISSN 0041-7734. Vol. 17, No. 5. May 1978. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

*Accessions List: Middle East.* ISSN 0041-7769. Vol. 16, No. 3 & 4. March and April 1978. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt.

*Accessions List: Southeast Asia.* ISSN 0096-2341. Vol. 4, No. 2. February 1978. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Consulate General, Karachi, Pakistan.

*Antarctic Bibliography.* ISSN 0066-4626. Index to volumes one to seven. 1977. (783 p.) For sale by the

Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20502 for $12 (Stock No. 030-018-00018-4).

*Architectural Collections of the Library of Congress.* 1977. (36 p.) Reprinted from the July 1977 *Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress.* Available free from the Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

*Braille Book Review.* ISSN 0006-873X. Vol. 47, No. 3. May-June 1978. Free on request from the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20542.

*Catalogs and Publications, Price Announcement & Subscription Rates.* 1978. (19 p.) Available free from the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541.

*Children's Books 1977: A List of Books for Preschool Through Junior High School Age.* 1978. (20 p.) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents for 90 cents, domestic (LC 2.11:977). One-fourth of the publication price should be added for foreign orders. There is a minimum charge of $1 for each mail order.

*Children's Literature: A Guide to Reference Sources, Second Supplement.* 1977. (413 p.) A selective annotated list of 929 titles issued from 1970 through 1974 and a few older items not available to the compilers of *Children's Literature* (1972). Available for $7.75 (plus 25 percent for foreign orders) from the Superintendent of Documents (Stock No. 030-001-00075-3) or in person from the Information Counter, Library of Congress Building.

*Decisions of the United States Courts Involving Copyright, 1975-1976.* Copyright Office Bulletin No. 40. 1978. ISSN 0070-3176. (1,530 pp.) Compiled and edited by Wilma S. Davis of the Copyright Office, this bulletin contains substantially all copyright cases, as well as those dealing with related subjects in the field of intellectual property, which have been decided during the years 1975 and 1976 in the Federal and state courts. This bulletin is the 24th in a series issued by the Copyright Office for official and public use. For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at $13.75 per copy (LC 3.3:40). Complete sets of *Copyright Decisions,* including the Cumulative Index covering Bulletins 17-37 (1909-70), are for sale by the Superintendent of Documents for $195.05 each.

*Digest of Public General Bills and Resolutions.* 95th Congress, 1st Session. Final Issue, Part 1, and Final Issue, Part 2. 95th Congress, 2nd Session. First Issue. For sale by the Superintendent of Documents for $31.25 for the set of Parts 1 and 2 and $7.50 for the first issue or $75 per session of Congress, domestic, and $93.75, foreign (LC 14.6:95-1/Final/Parts 1 and 2) and (LC 14.6:95-2/1).

*The Federal Republic of Germany: A Selected Bibliography of English Language Publications, Second Revised Edition.* 1978. (116 p.) For sale for $3 from the Superintendent of Documents (Stock No. 030-020-00012-0).

*LC Acquisition Trends.* February 1978. (26 p.) A free newsletter issued semiannually by the office of the Director for Acquisitions and Overseas Operations. Processing Department, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

*LC Classification–Additions and Changes.* ISSN 0041-7912. List 189. January-March 1978. (109 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541 for $30 a year, $7.50 a single issue.

*A Monster and a Miracle: The Cataloging Distribution Service of the Library of Congress, 1901-1976.* 1977. (39 p.) Reprinted from the October 1976 issue of the *Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress.* Available free from the Processing Department, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

*The Music of "The Star Spangled Banner."* 1977. (35 p.) A reprint from the July 1977 issue of the *Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress.* Available free from the Music Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540

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*Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress.* ISSN 0041-7939. Vol. 35, No. 2. April 1978. (pp. 63-138) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents for $1.65 for this issue or for $6.45 a year, domestic, and $8.10 a year, foreign (LC 1.7:35/2) or in person from the Information Counter, Library of Congress Building.

*Supplement to LC Subject Headings.* January-June 1977. Quarterly cumulative supplement to the 8th edition.(x, 211 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service for $35 a year.

*Thomas Jefferson and the Library of Congress.* 1977. (31 p.) A chapter from the forthcoming sixth

volume of *Jefferson and His Time* by Dumas Malone, published in conjunction with the christening of the Thomas Jefferson Building of the Library of Congress. Available free from the Central Services Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

*Thomas Jefferson and the World of Books.* 1977. (37 p.) Papers read and commentary from a symposium held at the Library of Congress on September 21, 1976. Free upon request from the Central Services Division, Library of Congress.

**Library of Congress Regulations:** No. 213-10 (May 8) amended pages 2, 3, and 4 to reflect the current organization and titles in the Order Division; No. 713-1 (May 15) restates the Library's policy on delivering materials from its collections to the Congressional Reading Room; No. 1011 (May 17) cancelled the regulation on the administration of the microreproduction program which is no longer in existence; No. 1710-4.1 and No. 1710-13 (May 18) provided for rest stops for Library employees while in duty status travel under certain conditions.

**Special Announcements:** No. 78-7 (May 4) announced the appointment of Richard H. Austin as chief of the Financial Management Office; No. 78-8 (May 5) called attention to the Department of Defense Teachers Back Pay Project; No. 78-9 (May 8) listed new telephone numbers for staff members in the Procurement and Supply Division; No. 78-10 (May 16) alerted staff members to the necessity of safeguarding both the Library's property and their personal property; No. 78-11 (May 17) announced staff assignments in Research Services, effective July 31; No. 78-12 (May 18) concerned assignment of street parking for Library staff carpools; No. 78-13 (May 23) announced the appointment of Mary Ellis Kahler as field director of the Library of Congress Office in Rio de Janeiro, effective September 11; No. 78-14 (May 24) invited the participation of staff members in a graduate program in management offered by Central Michigan University and supported by the Affirmative Action Plan; No. 78-15 (May 24) announced the temporary promotion of David H. Kraus to chief and Robert V. Allen to assistant chief, Slavic and Central European Division.

**Press Releases:** No. 78-39 (May 5) William Meredith Named 1978-79 Poetry Consultant; No. 78-40 (May 8) Library of Congress Will Celebrate International Museum Day on May 18; No. 78-14 (May 16) Erik Barnouw Named Chief of New Library of Congress Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division; No. 78-42 (May 16) Arabic Dancers Will Perform at Library of Congress on May 25; No. 78-43 (May 17) Library of Congress Announces Formation of Bibliographic Advisory Committee; No. 78-44 (May 17) Library of Congress Publishes 14th Annual Guide to Children's Books; No. 78-45 (May 24) Charles Seeger Will Lecture at Library of Congress on June 11; No. 78-46 (May 25) Robert Lowell Recording Issued by Library of Congress; No. 78-47 (May 26) Library of Congress Begins Compilation of Near East Union List; No. 78-48 (May 31) Program on National Networking Scheduled for American Library Association Annual Conference.

## NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

### Manuscript Society Meeting

Approximately 60 members of The Manuscript Society met on May 24-27 in Ottawa, Ontario, the Canadian capital. Tours took the members to the Public Archives, the National Library, the Library of Parliament, the Victoria Museum (which houses the National Museum of Man and the Natural History Museum), the Laurier House, and the National Gallery of Canada. The governor-general, the Right Honorable Jules Léger, hosted a reception at his residence, Rideau Hall, on May 25; the National Museum of Man tendered a reception at the Victoria Museum on May 26; and the concluding annual banquet at the Chateau Laurier on May 27 was addressed by the Right Honorable John G. Diefenbaker, former Prime Minister of Canada.

A particularly interesting discussion of the 1952 fire in the Library of Parliament was presented by Florence A. Moore of the library, who discussed "The Fire and the Water," and by Jan Pidek of the Public Archives on "The Aftermath: How to Restore Water-Logged Books and Manuscripts." A panel discussion entitled "Are You Buying the Brooklyn Bridge when Acquiring Manuscripts? (Another Look at the B. C. West Case)" was addressed by collector Richard Maass and lawyer H. Bartholomew Cox on the increasing problem of manuscript replevin and its consequences for the collectors, curators, and dealers. George S. Lowry, Swann Galleries, New York City, addressed a session on appraisals from the viewpoint of the auctioneer and his responsibilities to the consignor, the buyer, and himself.

The newly elected officers of the society are Barbara McCrimmon, Tallahassee, Fla., president; Walter Langlois, Laramie, Wyo., Steven Lee Carson, Silver Spring, Md., and William Matheson, chief of the Rare Book and Special Collections Division, Library of Congress, vice presidents; and Robert Volz, Williamstown, Mass., treasurer. New directors for the 1978-81 term are Winston Broadfoot, Durham, N.C.; John Maxwell Taylor, McLean, Va.; Francis O. Mattson, New York, N.Y.; Robert F. Batchelder,

Ambler, Pa.; and William W. Coleman, San Bernardino, Calif.

Paul G. Sifton, manuscript historian, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, completed his 1974-78 term as director and has been appointed editor of the "News Notes" section of *Manuscripts* magazine. The 1979 meeting of the society is scheduled for early May in New Orleans, La., and the 1981 meeting will be held in Boston, Mass. The 1980 meeting, originally scheduled for Baltimore, Md., will either take place in Seattle, Wash., or New York City. [*Paul G. Sifton*]

**SOLINET Annual Meeting Held**

The annual meeting of the Southeastern Library Network (SOLINET) was held on April 20-21 in Atlanta, Ga. The gathering was divided into two concurrent sessions. One dealt with considerations in closing card catalogs and the second dealt with nationwide library networks and SOLINET's five-year plan. At the latter, Henriette D. Avram, director, Network Development Office, Library of Congress, spoke on the work of the Network Development Office, the emerging national library network, and the role of state and regional libraries in that network. Following the presentation, the group broke into smaller groups to discuss the topics presented.

Another part of the SOLINET meeting was devoted to the future of the library catalog. David G. Remington, chief of the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, discussed the impact on service to libraries of automating the Library's catalogs. Anne Ekstrom, director, Library Systems Division, OCLC, Inc., discussed OCLC's plans for subject access, local holdings records, modified display for public access terminals, and development of nonroman alphabet input capabilities. She commented that AACR II will not require significant software changes and that OCLC is considering an authority control system which might carry variant forms of names (ALA, AACR I, AACR II forms) as well as indication of the form of entry used by local library systems. G. Randall Cravey, technical coordinator for SOLINET, described the network's new five-year plan with a focus on interlibrary loan, building institutional data files, and their use in preparation of COM catalogs and other forms of bibliographic display.

Nancy Eaton, head, Materials Processing and Control, Atlanta Public Library, outlined bibliographic control plans in a public library system which is moving to a COM catalog representing all the estimated 175,000 system titles in all formats, reclassification to Library of Congress classification system, and automated circulation control and acquisitions activities. She reported that retrospective conversion of cataloging records is being done through a commercial processing service rather than OCLC because of considerably lower cost.

Linda West, catalog librarian, Olin Library, Cornell University, discussed the present review process which will determine the future of Cornell's catalog, noting six major forces compelling Cornell's review: the new edition of the *Anglo-American Cataloging Rules*, desuperimposition by the Library of Congress, the Library's plans to freeze its catalogs in 1980, the size of Cornell's card catalogs and associated maintenance costs, the anticipated impact of national and international standardization of bibliographic activity, and the significant opportunities to provide better service to users through an automated bibliographic system.

Questions and comments following each speaker and in a wrap-up session at the conclusion of the day-long program focused on the importance of high-quality machine-readable cataloging records, authority control, and data base management; the need for effective communication between planners and the general staff and faculty and other publics to assure support and cooperation at all stages; and the kinds of problems that may be generated by so many fundamental changes occurring in a short period of time. Other topics included whether the high energy consumption implied in a major shift to on-line catalogs could be justified; the fact that the automated library catalog may take many forms simultaneiously, depending upon the service required and will include card catalogs, book and COM catalogs, custom bibliographies on demand, and on-line catalogs; and concern over the Library of Congress plan to change many of its cataloging practices and the impact of its catalog automation on libraries committed to following its practices.

[*Henriette D. Avram* and *David G. Remington*]

**Steering Committee Formed for IFLA Unit**

Frank Kurt Cylke, chief of the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, and chairman of the Working Group of Libraries Serving the Blind, International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA), has announced the formation of a Steering Committee to direct the group's activity.

Members of the Steering Committee include Ulla Cahling, Swedish Federation of the Blind; H. Fidder, Evangelical Library for the Blind, Netherlands;

Francoise Hebert, Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB); D. J. Roskilly, Royal National Institute for the Blind, England; and D. S. Zharkov, Republic Central Library for the Blind, U.S.S.R.

Established in September 1977, the IFLA Working Group will address the development of an international inventory of library resources, the need for identification of existing production formats, the need for standardization of production formats, the development of an effective international interlibrary loan mechanism, and the need for a coordinated application of existing and future technologies to production requirements.

During the 44th General Council Meeting of IFLA, scheduled for August 27-September 2 in Strbské Pleso, Czechoslovakia, the Steering Committee will take up seven papers to be discussed, revised, and approved for publication by Verlag Dokumentation in Munich:

Mission Statement by Frank Kurt Cylke. A statement of mission, including long and short range goals and objectives, will be prepared for the Working Group of Libraries Serving Blind and Physically Handicapped Persons.

Copyright by Francoise Hebert. A state of the art relating to copyright matters affecting library service for blind or physically handicapped persons will be combined with an identification of areas that should be addressed by IFLA.

Format by Paul E. Thiele of Canada and Saleh Muhanna of Saudi Arabia. Mr. Thiele, principal author, with assistance from his coauthor, will identify existing recorded formats used to produce materials for blind and physically handicapped persons. Suggestions for areas appropriate for international attention (IFLA), to the point of standardization, will be noted.

Postal Regulations and Custom Law by H. Fidder. Problems related to the distribution of materials produced for use by blind and physically handicapped persons will be discussed. Specific attention will be directed toward the Geneva Protocol as well as toward specific national areas. Recommendations for IFLA action will be cited.

Library Identification by Ulla Cahling. A central library contact in as many countries as possible will be identified. For example, the listing would note the Library of Congress in the United States, CNIB in Canada, and so forth.

International Relationships by Anna Ubostad of Norway. Existing international organizations established to serve the needs of blind or physically handicapped persons will be identified to the point of developing Working Group relationships. For example, a close working rapport with the World Council for the Welfare of the Blind (WCWB) must be maintained.

Bibliographic Control by Allen Deschere of the United States. A proposal for points required to be included in any standard developed for the international exchange of bibliographic information related to materials for blind and physically handicapped persons will be developed.

**Classification Round Table Created for IFLA**

The IFLA Professional Board has approved the formation of a Classification Round Table, under the auspices of the Division of Bibliographic Control. The terms of reference of this provisional round table are:

(1) to provide a forum for the exchange of information concerning the development and application of the various internationally used classification systems;

(2) to create an opportunity for the publishers and editors of the classification systems to meet with a wide variety of the users of their systems, to facilitate the communication of problems associated with the application of the systems as well as prospects for the adjustment of the systems; and

(3) to facilitate the preparation of specialized editions and translations of the classification systems, in accordance with recognized needs.

The Classification Round Table will hold its organizational meeting during the IFLA Council in Strbské Pleso, Czechoslovakia, on Wednesday, August 30, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Joel C. Downing of the British Library Bibliographic Services Division has agreed to act as convening chairman of the group. Interested representatives of any association or institutional members of IFLA or personal affiliates are invited to attend the organizational session.

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